## State of California AIR RESOURCES BOARD

## Executive Order VR-104-A CNI Manufacturing Phase I Vapor Recovery System

WHEREAS, the California Air Resources Board (ARB) has established, pursuant to California Health and Safety Code sections 39600, 39601 and 41954, certification procedures for systems designed for the control of gasoline vapor emissions during the filling of underground gasoline storage tanks, in its **CP-201**, *Certification Procedure for Vapor Recovery Systems at Gasoline Dispensing Facilities* (Certification Procedure) as last amended July 1, 2003 incorporated by reference in title 17, California Code of Regulations, section 94011;

WHEREAS, ARB has established, pursuant to California Health and Safety Code sections 39600, 39601 and 41954, test procedures for determining the compliance of Phase I vapor recovery systems with emission standards;

WHEREAS, CNI Manufacturing has applied for certification of the CNI Manufacturing Phase I Vapor Recovery System (CNI Manufacturing System);

WHEREAS, the Certification Procedure provides that the ARB Executive Officer shall issue an Executive Order if he or she determines that the vapor recovery system conforms to all of the applicable requirements set forth in the Certification Procedure;

WHEREAS, I, Catherine Witherspoon, California Air Resources Board Executive Officer, find that the CNI Manufacturing Phase I Vapor Recovery System conforms with all of the requirements set forth in the Certification Procedure and results in a vapor recovery system which is at least 98.0 percent efficient as tested in accordance with test procedure for **TP-201.1**, **Volumetric Efficiency for Phase I Systems**;

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the CNI Manufacturing System is certified to be at least 98.0 percent efficient when installed and maintained as specified herein and in the following Exhibits. Exhibit 1 contains a list of the certified components, Exhibit 2 contains the performance standards and specifications, typical installation drawings, and maintenance intervals applicable to the CNI Manufacturing System as installed in a gasoline dispensing facility (GDF). Exhibit 3 contains the manufacturing specifications. Exhibit 4 is test procedure **Leak Rate and Cracking Pressure of Pressure/Vacuum Vent Valves.** 

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that compliance with the applicable certification requirements, rules and regulations of the Division of Measurement Standards of the Department of Food and Agriculture, the Office of the State Fire Marshal of the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, and the Division of Occupational Safety and Health of the Department of Industrial Relations are made conditions of this certification.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that CNI Manufacturing shall provide a warranty for the vapor recovery system and components to the initial purchaser and each subsequent purchaser within the warranty period. The manufacturer of components not manufactured by CNI Manufacturing shall provide a warranty for each of their components certified herein. This warranty shall include the ongoing compliance with all applicable performance standards and specifications, and shall comply with all warranty requirements in Section 9.2 of the Certification Procedure. CNI Manufacturing may specify that the warranty is contingent upon the use of trained installers. Copies of the warranty for the system and components shall be made available to the gasoline dispensing facility owner/operator.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the certified CNI Manufacturing System shall be installed and maintained in accordance with the *ARB-Approved Installation and Maintenance Manual for the CNI Manufacturing Phase I Vapor Recovery System.* A copy of this Executive Order and manual shall be maintained at each GDF where a certified CNI Manufacturing System is installed.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that equipment listed in Exhibit 1, unless exempted, shall be clearly identified by a permanent identification showing the manufacturer's name and model number.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any alteration in the equipment parts, design, installation or operation of the system certified hereby is prohibited and deemed inconsistent with this certification unless the alteration has been submitted in writing and approved in writing by the Executive Officer or Executive Officer delegate.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the following requirements are made a condition of certification. The owner or operator of the CNI Manufacturing System shall conduct, and pass, the following tests no later than 60 days after startup and at least once every 3 years after startup testing, using the latest adopted version of the following test procedures: TP-201.3, **Determination of 2 Inch WC Static Pressure Performance of Vapor Recovery Systems of Dispensing Facilities**, TP-201.1B, **Static Torque of Rotatable Phase I Adaptors** and TP-201.1C, **Pressure Integrity of Drop Tube/Drain Valve Assembly**. Shorter time periods may be specified in accordance with local district requirements. Notification of testing, and submittal of test results, shall be done in accordance with local district requirements and pursuant to the policies established by that district. Alternative test procedures may be used if determined by the Executive Officer, in writing, to yield comparable results. Testing the pressure/vacuum (P/V) valve will be at the option of the local districts. If P/V valve testing is required by the district, the test shall be conducted in accordance with Exhibit 4.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the CNI Manufacturing System shall be compatible with fuels in common use in California at the time of certification and any modifications to comply with future California fuel requirements shall be approved in writing by the Executive Officer or Executive Officer delegate.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the certification of the CNI Manufacturing Phase I Vapor Recovery System is valid through September 30, 2007.

Executed at Sacramento, California, this <a>26</a> day of September 2003.

Catherine Witherspoon

**Executive Officer** 

#### Attachments:

Exhibit 1 CNI Manufacturing Phase I Vapor Recovery System Equipment List

Exhibit 2 Installation, Maintenance and Compliance Standards and Specifications

Exhibit 3 Manufacturing Performance Standards and Specifications

Exhibit 4 Leak Rate and Cracking Pressure of Pressure/Vacuum Vent Valves

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## Exhibit 1 CNI Manufacturing Phase I Vapor Recovery System Equipment List

Equipment Manufacturer/Model Number

Pressure/Vacuum Vent Valve Husky Model 4885, 2-Inch Threaded

Containment Assembly CNI Manufacturing XXXX-31103

(includes product and vapor side assemblies)

XXXX (four digit code) indicates:

Manhole Size (inches)

Manhole Configuration (round, square, or rectangular)

Container Cover (snap tight or gravity)
Number of Openings in Manhole
Size of Spill Container (gallons)

**Drain Valve**CNI Manufacturing RP12-Push

**Dust Caps** CNI Manufacturing 64 (product)

CNI Manufacturing 611-VR-3 (vapor)

Product Adaptor Emco Wheaton Retail A0030-124

Vapor Adaptor Emco Wheaton Retail A0076-124

**Extractor Assembly**<sup>1</sup> CNI Manufacturing 118-F/M (4x4x3x3, 4-way extractor)

CNI Manufacturing 119-F/M (4x4x3x2, 4-way extractor) CNI Manufacturing 121-F/M (4x4x2, 3-way extractor)

CNI Manufacturing 125- (extractor coupling)

Ball Float Vent Valve<sup>1</sup> CNI Manufacturing 123-12C (various lengths) (optional?)

Jam Nut CNI Manufacturing 200JN

**Drop Tube** CNI Manufacturing DT100 (various lengths)

**Drop Tube O-Ring**CNI Manufacturing RP101

Tank Gauge Port Components CNI Manufacturing 613BC (cap and adaptor)

<sup>1</sup> Component optional for vapor recovery; other state or local agency regulations may apply.

Table 1
Components Exempt from Identification Requirements

Component Name	Manufacturer	Model Number
Replacement Drain Valve	CNI Manufacturing	RP12-Push
Jam Nut	CNI Manufacturing	200 JN
Tank Gauge Port Component (Cap and Adaptor)	CNI Manufacturing	613BC
Drop Tube O-Ring	CNI Manufacturing	RP101
Containment System	CNI Manufacturing	XXXX-31103
Ball Float Vent Valve	CNI Manufacturing	123-12C
Drop Tube	CNI Manufacturing	DT-100

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## Exhibit 2 Installation, Maintenance and Compliance Standards and Specifications

This exhibit contains the installation, maintenance and compliance standards and specifications applicable to a CNI Manufacturing System installed in a gasoline dispensing facility (GDF).

#### **General Specifications**

- 1. Typical installations of the CNI Manufacturing System are shown in Figures 2A and 2B.
- 2. The CNI Manufacturing System shall be installed and maintained in accordance with the ARB Approved Installation and Maintenance Manual for the CNI Manufacturing Phase I Vapor Recovery System.
- 3. Any repair or replacement of system components shall be done in accordance with the ARB Approved Installation and Maintenance Manual for the CNI Manufacturing Phase I Vapor Recovery System.
- 4. The CNI Manufacturing System shall comply with the applicable performance standards and performance specifications in CP-201. Compliance of the system and all components shall be demonstrated in accordance with the latest adopted version of TP-201.3, Determination of 2 Inch WC Static Pressure Performance of Vapor Recovery Systems of Dispensing Facilities.
- 5. There shall be at least one vapor recovery connection, throughout all Phase I deliveries, between the cargo tank and the GDF storage tank into which fuel is being delivered to ensure that vapor is returned to the cargo tank from the underground storage tank system.

#### Pressure/Vacuum Vent Valves For Storage Tank Vent Pipes

- 1. No more than three certified pressure/vacuum vent valves (P/V Valves) listed in Exhibit 1 shall be installed on any GDF underground storage tank system.
- 2. Compliance determination of the following P/V valve performance specifications shall be at the option of the districts:
  - 1. The leak rate of each P/V valve shall not exceed 0.05 cubic feet per hour (CFH) at 2.0 inches of H<sub>2</sub>O positive pressure and 0.21 CFH at -4.0 inches negative pressure as determined by Exhibit 4, **Leak Rate and Cracking Pressure of Pressure/Vacuum Valves**.
  - 2. The positive pressure setting is  $3.0 \pm 0.5$  inches of H<sub>2</sub>O and the negative pressure setting is  $-8.0 \pm 2.0$  inches of H<sub>2</sub>O as determined by Exhibit 4, **Leak Rate and Cracking Pressure of Pressure/Vacuum Valves**.
- 3. A manifold may be installed on the vent pipes to reduce the number of potential leak sources and P/V valves installed. Vent pipe manifolds shall be constructed of steel pipe or an equivalent material that has been listed for use with gasoline. If a material other than steel is used, the GDF operator shall make available information demonstrating that the

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material is compatible for use with gasoline. One example of a typical vent pipe manifold is shown in Figure 2C. This shows only one typical configuration: other manifold configurations may be used. For example, a tee may be located in a different position, or fewer vent pipes may be connected, or more than one P/V valve may be installed on the manifold.

- 4. The vent pipe manifold shall be installed at a height not less than 12 feet above the grade used for gasoline cargo tank delivery operations and shall conform to all applicable regulations.
- 5. Each P/V valve shall have permanently affixed to it a yellow or gold-colored label with black lettering stating the positive and negative cracking pressures.

Positive pressure setting:  $3.0 \pm 0.5$  inches  $H_2O$  Negative pressure setting:  $-8.0 \pm 2.0$  inches  $H_2O$  Positive Leak rate: 0.05 CFH at 2.0 inches 1.00 Negative Leak rate: 1.00 CFH at 1.00 inches 1.00 Negative Leak rate: 1.00 Negative Leak rate:

#### **Rotatable Product and Vapor Recovery Adaptors**

- Rotatable product and vapor recovery adaptors shall be capable of at least 360-degree rotation and have an average static torque not to exceed 108 pound-inch (9 pound-foot). Compliance with this requirement shall be demonstrated in accordance with the latest adopted version of TP-201.1B, Static Torque of Rotatable Phase I Adaptors.
  - Use CNI Manufacturing Torque Test Tool Part Number EVRSYS100 rather than Phil-Tite Torque Test Tool Part Number 6004 as specified in Section 5.2 of TP-201.1B. The Phil-Tite tool is not compatible with CNI Manufacturing dust caps.
- 2. The vapor adaptor poppet shall not leak when closed. Compliance with this requirement may be verified by the use of commercial liquid leak detection solution, or by bagging, when the vapor containment space of the underground storage tank is subjected to a non-zero gauge pressure. (Note: leak detection solution will detect leaks only when positive gauge pressure exists.)

#### **Vapor Recovery and Product Adaptor Dust Caps**

1. Dust caps with intact gaskets shall be installed on all Phase I tank adaptors.

#### **Spill Container Drain Valve**

The spill container drain valve shall be configured to drain liquid directly into the drop tube and shall be isolated from the underground storage tank ullage space. The leak rate of the drain valve shall not exceed 0.17 CFH at 2.00 inches H<sub>2</sub>O. Compliance with this requirement shall be demonstrated in accordance with the latest adapted version of TP-201.1C, Pressure Integrity of Drop Tube/Drain Valve Assembly.

#### **Ball Float Vent Valve**

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1. A Ball Float Vent Valve (ball float) is designed to restrict the flow of a gasoline delivery by using back pressure when the storage tank levels exceed a specified level. If installed for overfill prevention, a ball float must be installed at each vapor and vent connection to the tank. Ball floats are not required components of the vapor recovery system, but may be installed as optional components for vapor recovery; other state or local agency regulations may apply.

#### **Vapor Recovery Riser Offset**

- 1. The vapor recovery tank riser may be offset from the tank connection to the vapor recovery Spill Container provided that the maximum horizontal distance (offset distance) does not exceed twenty (20) inches. One example of an offset is shown in Figure 2D.
- 2. The vapor recovery riser may be offset up to 20 inches horizontal distance with use of commercially available, four (4) inch diameter steel pipe fittings.

#### **Tank Gauge Port Components**

1. The tank gauge adaptor and cap are paired. Therefore, an adaptor manufactured by one company shall be used only with a cap manufactured by the same company.

#### **Connections and Fittings**

 All connections and fittings not specifically certified with an allowable leak rate shall not leak. The absence of vapor leaks may be verified with the use of commercial liquid leak detection solution, or by bagging, when the vapor containment space of the underground storage tank is subjected to a non-zero gauge pressure. (Note: leak detection solution will detect leaks only when positive gauge pressure exists.)

#### **Maintenance Records**

 Each GDF operator/owner shall keep records of maintenance performed at the facility. Such record shall be maintained on site or in accordance with district requirements or policies. The records shall include the maintenance or test date, repair date to correct test failure, maintenance or test performed, affiliation, telephone number and name of individual conducting maintenance or test. An example of a Phase I Maintenance Record is shown in Figure 2E.

Table 2-1
Gasoline Dispensing Facility Compliance Standards and Specifications

Component	Test Method	Standard or Specification
Rotatable Phase I Adaptors	TP-201.1B	Minimum, 360-degree rotation Maximum, 108 pound-inch average static torque
Spill Container Drain Valve	TP-201.1C	≤0.17 CFH at 2.00 inches H₂O
P/V Valve <sup>1</sup>	Exhibit 4	Positive pressure setting: $3.0 \pm 0.5$ inches $H_2O$ Negative pressure setting: $-8.0 \pm 2.0$ inches $H_2O$ Positive Leak rate: $0.05$ CFH at $2.0$ inches $1.0$ Negative Leak rate: $0.21$ CFH at $1.0$ inches $1.0$
Gasoline Dispensing Facility	TP-201.3	As specified in TP-201.3 and/or CP-201
All connections and fittings certified without an allowable leak rate	Leak Detection Solution or bagging	No Leaks

Table 2-2 Maintenance Intervals for System Components

Manufacturer	Component	Maintenance Interval	
Husky	Pressure/Vacuum Vent Valve	Annual	
CNI Manufacturing	Tank Gauge Port Components	Annual Inspection	
CNI Manufacturing	Dust Caps	Annual Inspection	
CNI Manufacturing	Drop Tube	Annual Test	
CNI Manufacturing	Ball Float	Three Years	
Emco Wheaton Retail	Rotatable Phase I Adaptors	Annual Tests	
CNI Manufacturing	Spill Container Drain Valve	18 Months	
CNI Manufacturing	Spill Container	Annual Inspection	

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Compliance determination at the option of the district

Figure 2A

Typical Product Side Installation Using CNI Manufacturing System

### **Typical Product side XXXX-31103**

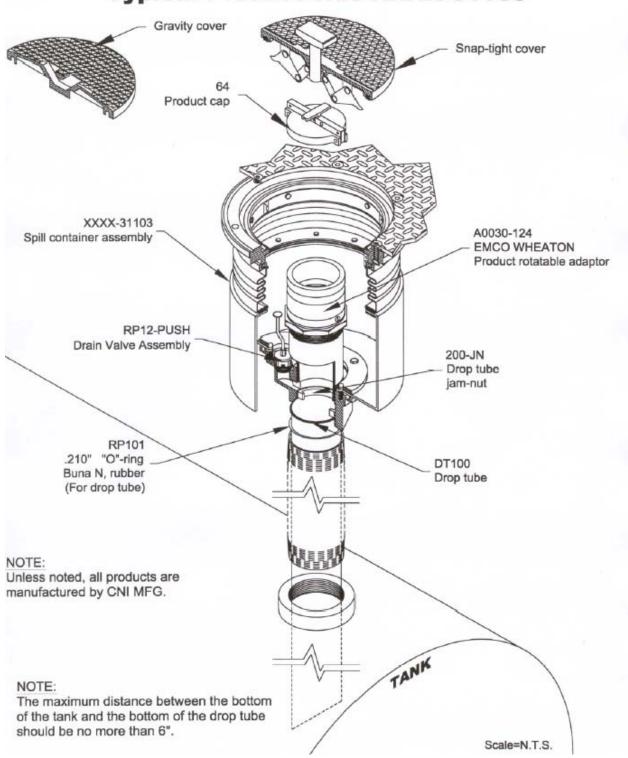


Figure 2B

Typical Vapor Recovery Installation Using CNI Manufacturing System

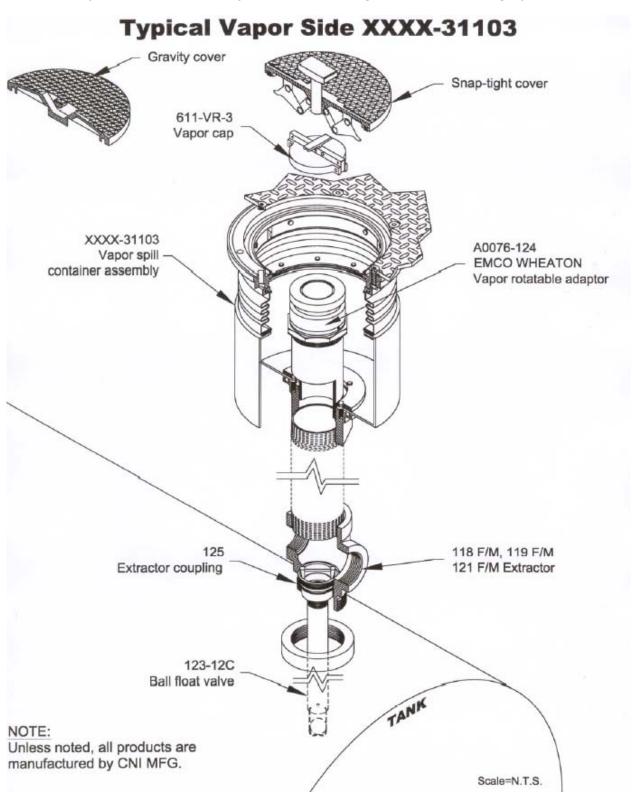
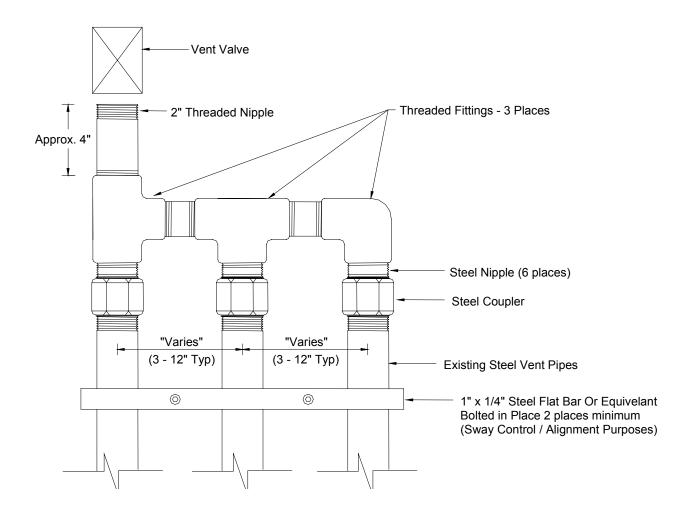


Figure 2C

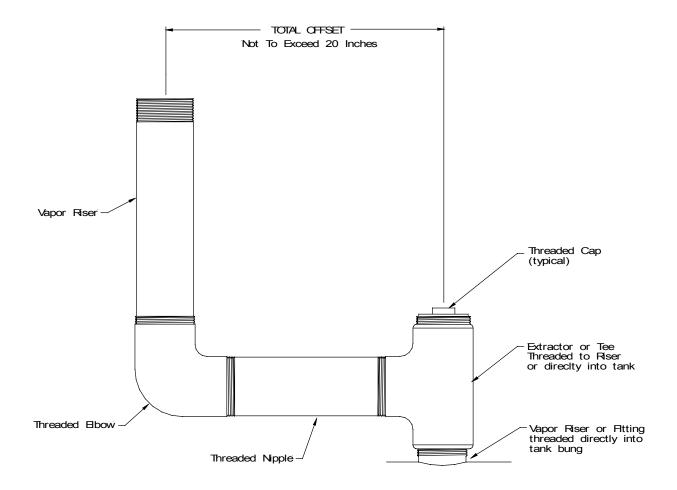
Typical Vent Pipe Manifold



Note: This shows only one typical configuration; other manifold configurations may be used. For example, a tee may be located in a different position, or fewer vent pipes may be connected, or more than one P/V valve may be installed on the manifold.

Figure 2D

Typical Vapor Recovery Riser Offset



Note: This figure represents one instance where a vapor recovery riser has been offset in order to construct a two-point Phase I vapor recovery system. The above figure illustrates an offset using a 90-degree elbow. However, in some instances, elbows less than 90 degrees may be used. All fittings and pipe nipples shall be 4-inch diameter similar to those of the spill container and rotatable Phase I adaptors in order to reduce back pressure during a gasoline delivery.

# Figure 2E Example of a GDF Phase I Maintenance Log

Date of Maintenance/ Test/Inspection/ Failure	Repair Date To Correct Test Failure	Maintenance/Test/Inspection Performed and Outcome	Affiliation	Name of Individual Conducting Maintenance or Test	Telephone Number

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## Exhibit 3 Manufacturing Performance Standards and Specifications

The CNI Manufacturing System and all components shall be manufactured in compliance with the applicable Phase I performance standards and specifications in CP-201, as well as the requirements specified in this Executive Order. All components shall be manufactured as certified; no change to the equipment, parts, design, materials or manufacturing process shall be made unless approved in writing by the Executive Officer. Unless specified in Exhibit 2 or in the ARB Approved Installation and Maintenance Manual for the CNI Manufacturing Phase I Vapor Recovery System, the requirements of this section apply to the manufacturing process and are not appropriate for determining the compliance status of a GDF.

#### Pressure/Vacuum Vent Valves for Storage Tank Vent Pipes

- 1. Each pressure/vacuum vent valve (P/V valve) shall be 100 percent performance tested at the factory for cracking pressure and leak rate at each specified pressure setting. Each P/V valve shall be shipped with a card or label stating the performance specifications listed below, and a statement that the valve was tested to, and met, these specifications:
  - a. The pressure settings for the P/V valve Positive pressure setting of  $3.0 \pm 0.5$  inches  $H_2O$ . Negative pressure setting of  $-8.0 \pm 2.0$  inches  $H_2O$ .
  - b. The leak rate for each P/V valve, including connections, shall not exceed: 0.05 CFH at 2.0 inches  $H_2O$ . 0.21 CFH at -4.0 inches  $H_2O$ .
- 2. Each P/V valve shall have permanently affixed to it a yellow or gold label with black lettering listing the positive and negative pressure settings specified above. The lettering of the label shall have a minimum font size of twenty (20).

#### **Rotatable Product and Vapor Recovery Adaptors**

- 1. The rotatable product and vapor recovery adaptors shall not leak.
- 2. The product adaptor cam and groove shall be manufactured in accordance with the cam and groove specifications shown in Figure 3A of CP-201.
- 3. The vapor recovery adaptor cam and groove shall be manufactured in accordance with the cam and groove specifications shown in Figure 3B of CP-201.
- 4. Each product and vapor recovery adaptor shall be 100 percent performance tested at the factory. Each adaptor shall have affixed to it a card or label stating the performance specification listed below, and a statement that the adaptor was tested to, and met, the following specifications:
  - a. The average static torque for the rotatable adaptor shall not exceed 108 pound-inch average static torque when tested in accordance with the latest adopted version of TP-201.1B, **Static Torque of Rotatable Phase I Adaptors.**

b. The rotatable adaptor shall be capable of rotating at least 360 degrees when tested in accordance with the latest adopted version of TP-201.1B, **Static Torque of Rotatable Phase I Adaptors**.

#### **Spill Container and Drain Valves**

- 1. Each spill container drain valve shall be 100 percent performance tested at the factory. Each spill container drain valve shall have affixed to it a card or label stating the performance specifications listed below, and a statement that the valve was tested to, and met, the following performance specification:
  - a. The maximum leak rate shall not exceed 0.17 CFH at 2.00 inches H<sub>2</sub>O when tested in accordance with the latest adopted version of TP-201.1C, *Pressure Integrity of Drop Tube/Drain Valve Assembly*.

Table 3-1

Manufacturing Component Standards and Specifications

Component	Test Method	Standard or Specification
Rotatable Phase I Adaptors	TP-201.1B	Minimum, 360-degree rotation Maximum, 108 lb-inch average static torque
Rotatable Phase I Adaptors	Micrometer	Cam and Groove Standard (CP-201)
Spill Container Drain Valve	TP-201.1C	≤0.17 CFH at 2.00 inches H <sub>2</sub> O
Pressure/Vacuum Vent Valve	Exhibit 4	Positive Pressure: $3.0 \pm 0.5$ inches $H_2O$ Negative Pressure: $-8.0 \pm 2.0$ inches $H_2O$ Leak rate: $\leq 0.05$ CFH at $+2.0$ inches $H_2O$ $\leq 0.21$ CFH at $-4.0$ inches $H_2O$

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#### Exhibit 4

#### Leak Rate and Cracking Pressure of Pressure/Vacuum Vent Valves

Definitions common to all certification and test procedures are in:

#### **D-200 Definitions for Vapor Recovery Procedures**

For the purpose of this procedure, the term "CARB" refers to the California Air Resources Board, and the term "Executive Officer" refers to the CARB Executive Officer or his or her authorized representative or designate.

#### 1. PURPOSE AND APPLICABILITY

The purpose of this procedure is to determine the pressure and vacuum at which a Pressure-/Vacuum Vent Valve (P/V Valve) actuates, and to determine the volumetric leak rate at a given pressure as specified in CP-201, Certification Procedure for Vapor Recovery Systems at Gasoline Dispensing Facilities. This procedure is applicable for certification and compliance testing of P/V Valves.

#### 2. PRINCIPLE AND SUMMARY OF TEST PROCEDURE

The volumetric leak rate of a P/V Valve is determined by measuring the positive and negative flow rates at corresponding pressures. The positive and negative cracking pressures of the valve are determined by measuring the pressure at which the P/V Valve opens to atmospheric pressure. With the exception of certification testing performed by the Executive Officer, these measurements are determined by removing the P/V Valve and conducting the test on a test stand. A flow metering device is used to introduce flow while measuring pressure.

#### 3. BIASES AND INTERFERENCES

- 3.1 Installing a P/V Valve onto the test stand in a manner that is not in accordance with the manufacturer's recommended installation instructions can produce erroneous results.
- **3.2** Leaks in the test stand or test equipment can produce erroneous results.

#### 4. SENSITIVITY, RANGE, AND PRECISION

- **4.1** Electronic Pressure Measuring Device. Minimum sensitivity shall be 0.01 inches  $H_2O$  with a maximum full-scale range of 20 inches  $H_2O$  and minimum accuracy of plus or minus 0.50 percent full-scale range.
- **4.2** Flow Meter. The measurable leak rate is dependent upon the sensitivity, range and precision of the flow meter used for testing. For electronic flow metering devices, the minimum sensitivity shall be 1.0 ml/min (0.0021 CFH) with a minimum full-scale accuracy of  $\pm 1.0$  percent. For rotameters, the flow meter minimum sensitivity shall

be 12.5 ml/min (.026 CFH) with minimum accuracy of  $\pm$  5 percent full-scale. The device scale shall be 150mm (5.91 inches) tall to provide a sufficient number of graduations for readability.

#### 5. EQUIPMENT

- **5.1** Nitrogen. Use commercial grade gaseous nitrogen in a high-pressure cylinder equipped with a pressure regulator and one (1.00) psig pressure relief valve. As an alternative, compressed air may be used to pressurize to the minimum working pressure required by the Flow Metering device.
- **5.2** Ballast Tank. If required, use a commercially available tank (2 gallon minimum), capable of being pressurized or evacuated (placed under vacuum) to the minimum working pressure required by the flow-metering device(s).
- **5.3** Vacuum Pump or Vacuum Generating Device. Use a commercially available vacuum pump or equivalent, capable of evacuating the ballast tank or test stand to the minimum working pressure required by the flow-metering device.
- **5.4** Electronic Pressure Gauge. Use an electronic pressure gauge or digital manometer that conforms to the minimum requirements listed in section 4 to measure the pressure inside of the test stand.
- **5.5** Flow Metering Device(s). Use either an electronic flow-metering device or Rotameter as described below to measure or introduce a volumetric flow rate. Although the use of either type of instrument is allowed, electronic flow metering devices provide higher accuracy and precision. For the purpose of certification testing, only electronic flow metering devices shall be used.
  - 5.5.1 Electronic Flow Metering Device. Use a Mass Flow Meter that conforms to the minimum requirements listed in section 4 to introduce nitrogen or compressed air into the test stand. The Mass Flow Meter shall be equipped with a high precision needle valve to accurately adjust the flow settings. The meter may be used for both positive and negative flow rates by reconfiguring the pressure or vacuum lines.
  - **5.5.2** Rotameters. Two (2) devices required. Use two Flow Meters with minimum specifications described in Section 4 to measure or introduce flow rates. One meter shall use a needle valve oriented for introducing positive flow and the other using an inverted needle valve for introducing vacuum.
- 5.6 Test Stand. If a bench test arrangement is used, use a test stand as shown in Figure 1, or equivalent, equipped with a 2-inch NPT threaded pipe on at least one end for attaching the P/V Valve in an upright position. If other than 2-inch NPT is required, use an adaptor to reduce or enlarge the 2 inch pipe. The test stand shall be equipped with at least two (2) ports used for introducing flow and measuring pressure. Use a bypass valve to enable the tester to set the required flow without pressurizing the P/V Valve. Once the required flow rate is set, the bypass valve shall

be closed to route the flow into the stand and pressurize the P/V Valve to check cracking pressure. Test stands may be constructed of various materials or dimensions. For certification testing conducted by Executive Officer only, the P/V valve may be isolated and tested in place at the facility.

#### 6. PRE-TEST PROCEDURES

- **6.1** All pressure measuring device(s) shall be bench calibrated using a reference gauge, incline manometer or NIST traceable standard at least once every six (6) months. Calibration shall be performed at 20, 50, and 80 percent of full scale. Accuracy shall be within five (5) percent at each of these calibration points.
- **6.2** Electronic pressure measuring devices shall be calibrated immediately prior to testing using the zero gauge pressure adjustment knob located on the instrument.
- 6.3 The Flow Metering device(s) shall be calibrated using a reference meter or NIST traceable standard. Calibrations shall be performed at 20, 50, and 80 percent of full-scale range and shall take place at a minimum of once every six (6) months.
- **6.4** Leak check the test stand or test assembly prior to installing the P/V Valve.
  - (a) Install a 2-inch cap onto the NPT threads in place of the P/V Valve using pipe sealant or Teflon tape.
  - (b) Check all fittings for tightness and proper assembly.
  - (c) Slowly establish a stable gauge pressure in the test stand between 18.00 and 20.00 inches water column and allow pressure to stabilize.
  - (d) Check for leaks by applying a leak detection solution around all fittings and joints and by observing the pressure for pressure changes that may identify a leak. If no bubbles form, the test stand is leak tight.
  - (e) If soap bubbles form or the test stand pressure will not stabilize, repeat (a) through (d); it may be necessary to place the test apparatus in an environment that is free from the effects of wind or sunlight.

#### TEST PROCEDURE

- 7.1 Install the P/V Valve in an upright position following the installation instructions provided by the manufacturer. Incorrectly installing the valve will invalidate any pressure versus flow rate measurement.
- 7.2 Positive Leak Rate. Slowly open the control valve on the Positive Flow Metering device until the pressure stabilizes at the positive leak rate pressure described in CP-201 section 3. Maintain steady state pressure by using the control valve for at least ten (10) seconds. Steady state flow is indicated by a pressure change of no more than 0.05 inches H<sub>2</sub>O on the pressure gauge. Record the final flow rate on the data sheet and close the control valve.

- 7.3 Positive Cracking Pressure. Open the bypass valve to route the flow outside of the test assembly. Open the control valve on the Positive Flow Metering device to establish a flow rate of 120 ml/min. Once flow is stabilized, close the bypass valve to route the flow into the test assembly. Observe the pressure. The P/V Valve should "crack" at a pressure within the range of positive cracking pressure as described in CP-201 section 3. This is marked by a sudden drop in pressure. Record the cracking pressure (highest pressure achieved) on the data sheet and close the control valve.
- 7.4 Negative Leak Rate. Open the control valve on the Negative Flow Metering device until the pressure stabilizes at the negative leak rate pressure described in CP-201 section 3. Maintain steady state pressure by using the control valve for at least ten (10) seconds. Steady state flow is indicated by a pressure change of no more than 0.05 inches H<sub>2</sub>O on the pressure gauge. Record the final flow rate on the data sheet and close the control valve.
- 7.5 Negative Cracking Pressure. Open the bypass valve to route the flow outside of the test assembly. Open the control valve on the Negative Flow Metering device to establish a negative flow rate of 200 ml/min. Once flow is stabilized, close the bypass valve to route the flow into the test assembly. Observe the pressure. The P/V Valve should "crack" at a pressure within the range of negative cracking pressure as described in CP-201 section 3. This is marked by a sudden drop in vacuum. Record the cracking pressure (highest vacuum achieved) on the data sheet and close the control valve.

#### 8. POST-TEST PROCEDURES

- **8.1** Remove the P/V Valve from the test assembly.
- **8.2** Disassemble the pressure regulator from the compressed nitrogen cylinder (if used) and place the safety cap back on the cylinder.
- **8.3** Disassemble all remaining test equipment and store in a protected location.

#### 9. CALCULATING RESULTS

**9.1** Commonly used flow rate conversions:

1 CFH = 471.95 ml/min

Example: Convert 0.17 CFH to ml/min:

0.17 CFH (471.95) = 80 ml/min

1 ml/min = 0.00212 CFH

Example: Convert 100 ml/min to CFH:

100 ml/min (0.00212) = 0.21 CFH

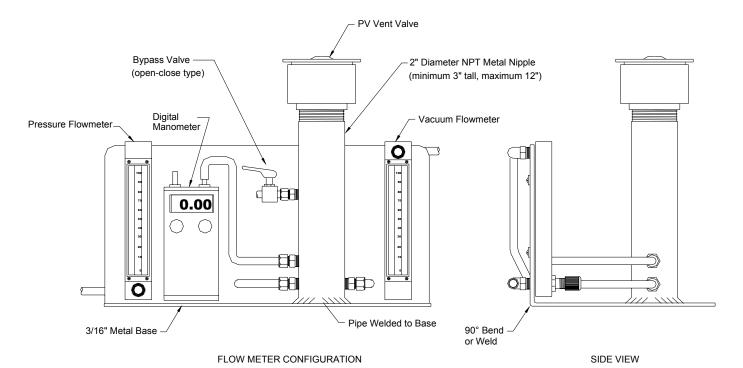
#### **10. REPORTING RESULTS**

- **10.1** Record the station or location name, address and tester information on Form 1.
- 10.2 Record the P/V Valve manufacturer's name and model number on Form 1.
- **10.3** Record the results of the test(s) on Form 1. Use additional copies of Form 1 if needed to record additional P/V Valve tests.
- **10.4** Alternate data sheets or Forms may be used provided they contain the same parameters as identified on Form 1.
- **10.5** Use the formulas and example equation provided in Section 9 to convert the flow measurements into units of cubic feet per hour (CFH).
- 10.6 For certification testing, compare results to the performance standards listed in Table 3-1 of CP-201. For compliance testing, compare the results to the manufacturer's specifications listed on the P/V Valve for both leak rate and cracking pressure. For volumetric leak rates less than the manufacturers specified leakrate and cracking pressures within the manufacturers specified range, circle Pass on the data sheet where provided. If either the volumetric leak rate or cracking pressure exceeds the manufacturers specifications, circle Fail on the data sheet where provided.

#### 11. ALTERNATIVE TEST PROCEDURES

This procedure shall be conducted as specified. Any modifications to this test procedure shall not be used unless prior written approval has been obtained from the Executive Officer pursuant to section 14 of CP-201.

Figure 1
Example of Test Stand



PV Vent Valve 2" Diameter NPT Metal Nipple (minimum 3" tall, maximum 12") Bypass Valve (open-close type) Mass Flow Meter Digitial Manometer 000 0.00 3/16" Metal Base Pipe Welded to Base Hi-Precision Needle Valve

MASS FLOW METER CONFIGURATION

#### Form 1

Pressure/Vacuum (P/V) Vent Valve Data Sheet		
Facility Name:	Test Date:	
Address:	Test Company:	
City:	Tester Name:	

P/V Valve Manufacturer:	Model Number:	Pass Fail
Manufacturers Specified Positive Leak Rate (CFH):	Manufacturers Specified Negative Leak Rate (CFH):	
Measured Positive Leak Rate (CFH):	Measured Negative Leak Rate (CF	FH):
Positive Cracking Pressure (in. H <sub>2</sub> O):	Negative Cracking Pressure (in. H	<sub>2</sub> O):

P/V Valve Manufacturer:	Model Number:	Pass Fail
Manufacturers Specified Positive Leak Rate (CFH):	Manufacturers Specified Negative Leak Rate (CFH):	
Measured Positive Leak Rate (CFH):	Measured Negative Leak Rate (Cl	FH):
Positive Cracking Pressure (in. H <sub>2</sub> O):	Negative Cracking Pressure (in. H	l <sub>2</sub> O):

P/V Valve Manufacturer:	Model Number:	Pass Fail
Manufacturers Specified Positive Leak Rate (CFH):	Manufacturers Specified Negative Leak Rate (CFH):	
Measured Positive Leak Rate (CFH):	Measured Negative Leak Rate (C	FH):
Positive Cracking Pressure (in. H <sub>2</sub> O):	Negative Cracking Pressure (in. F	H <sub>2</sub> O):

P/V Valve Manufacturer:	Model Number:	Pass Fail
Manufacturers Specified Positive Leak Rate (CFH):	Manufacturers Specified Negative Leak Rate (CFH):	
Measured Positive Leak Rate (CFH):	Measured Negative Leak Rate (CI	FH):
Positive Cracking Pressure (in. H <sub>2</sub> O):	Negative Cracking Pressure (in. H	<sub>2</sub> O):